

# APPENDIX C

## Internal Representation of Data Types

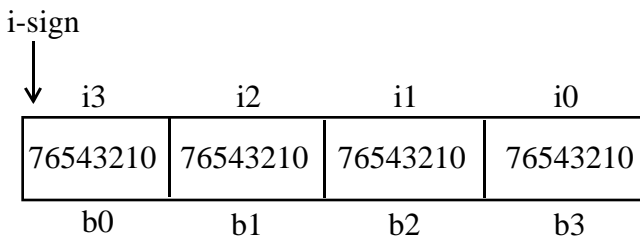
This appendix contains the detailed internal representations of the PDS standard data types listed in Table 3.2 of the Data Type Definitions chapter of this document.

### C.1 MSB\_INTEGER

Aliases: INTEGER, MAC\_INTEGER, SUN\_INTEGER

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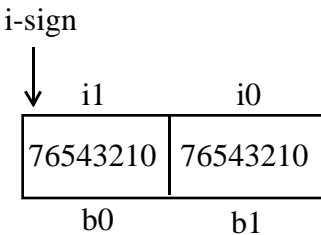
MSB 4-byte integers:



\* Bit 7 in  $i3$  is used for the sign bit.

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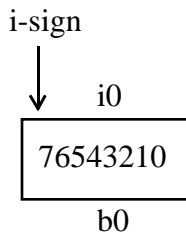
MSB 2-byte integers:



\* Bit 7 in  $i1$  is used for the sign bit.

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MSB 1-byte integers:



\* Bit 7 is used for the sign bit.

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Where:

b0 - b3 = Arrangement of bytes as they appear when read from a file (e.g., read b0 first, then b1, b2, and b3).

i-sign = integer sign bit

i0 - i3 = Arrangement of bytes in the integer, from lowest order to highest order. The bits within each byte are interpreted from right to left, (e.g., lowest value = bit 0, highest value = bit 7) in the following way:

4-bytes:

In i0, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**7}$

In i1, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**8}$  through  $2^{**15}$

In i2, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**16}$  through  $2^{**23}$

In i3, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**24}$  through  $2^{**30}$

2-bytes:

In i0, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**7}$

In i1, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**8}$  through  $2^{**14}$

1-byte:

In i0, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**6}$

All negative signed values are assumed to be twos-compliment.

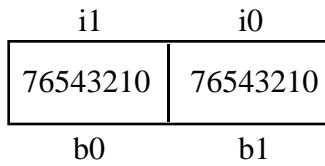
## C.2 MSB\_UNSIGNED\_INTEGER

Aliases: MAC\_UNSIGNED\_INTEGER, SUN\_UNSIGNED\_INTEGER,  
UNSIGNED\_INTEGER

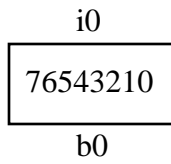
MSB 4 byte unsigned integers:

i3	i2	i1	i0
76543210	76543210	76543210	76543210
b0	b1	b2	b3

MSB 2-byte unsigned integers:



MSB 1-byte unsigned integers:



Where:

b0 - b3 = Arrangement of bytes as they appear when read from a file (e.g., read b0 first, then b1, b2, and b3).

i0 - i3 = Arrangement of bytes in the integer, from lowest order to highest order. The bits within each byte are interpreted from right to left, (e.g., lowest value = bit 0, highest value = bit 7) in the following way:

4-bytes:

In i0, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**7}$   
 In i1, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**8}$  through  $2^{**15}$   
 In i2, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**16}$  through  $2^{**23}$   
 In i3, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**24}$  through  $2^{**31}$

2-bytes:

In i0, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**7}$   
 In i1, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**8}$  through  $2^{**15}$

1-byte:

In i0, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**7}$

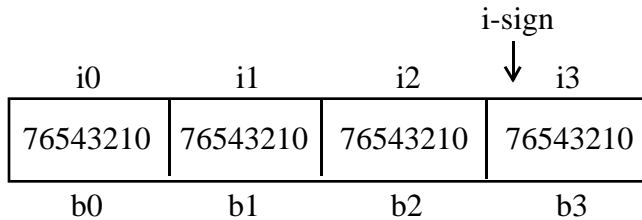
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### C.3 LSB\_INTEGER

Aliases: PC\_INTEGER, VAX\_INTEGER

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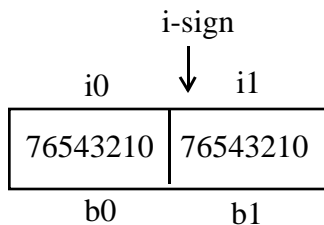
LSB 4-byte integers:



\* Bit 7 in  $i3$  is used for the sign bit.

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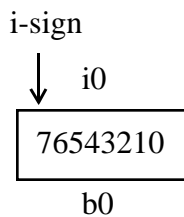
LSB 2-byte integers:



\* Bit 7 in  $i1$  is used for the sign bit.

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LSB 1-byte integers:



\* Bit 7 in  $i1$  is used for the sign bit.

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Where:

$b0 - b3$  = Arrangement of bytes as they appear when read from a file (e.g., read  $b0$  first, then  $b1$ ,  $b2$ , and  $b3$ ).

$i\text{-sign}$  = integer sign bit

$i0 - i3$  = Arrangement of bytes in the integer, from lowest order to highest order. The bits within each byte are interpreted from right to left, (e.g., lowest value =

bit 0, highest value = bit 7) in the following way:

4-bytes:

In i0, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**7}$   
 In i1, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**8}$  through  $2^{**15}$   
 In i2, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**16}$  through  $2^{**23}$   
 In i3, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**24}$  through  $2^{**30}$

2-bytes:

In i0, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**7}$   
 In i1, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**8}$  through  $2^{**14}$

1-byte:

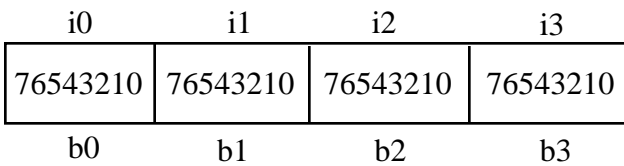
In i0, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**6}$

All negative signed values are assumed to be twos-compliment.

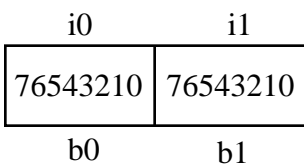
## C.4 LSB\_UNSIGNED\_INTEGER

Aliases: PC\_UNSIGNED\_INTEGER, VAX\_UNSIGNED\_INTEGER

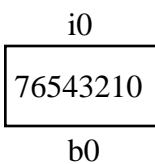
LSB 4-byte unsigned integers:



LSB 2-byte unsigned integers:



LSB 1-byte unsigned integers:



Where:

b0 - b3 = Arrangement of bytes as they appear when read from a file (e.g., read b0 first, then b1, b2, and b3).

i0 - i3 = Arrangement of bytes in the integer, from lowest order to highest order. The bits within each byte are interpreted from right to left, (e.g., lowest value = bit 0, highest value = bit 7) in the following way:

4-bytes:

In i0, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**7}$

In i1, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**8}$  through  $2^{**15}$

In i2, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**16}$  through  $2^{**23}$

In i3, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**24}$  through  $2^{**31}$

2-bytes:

In i0, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**7}$

In i1, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**8}$  through  $2^{**15}$

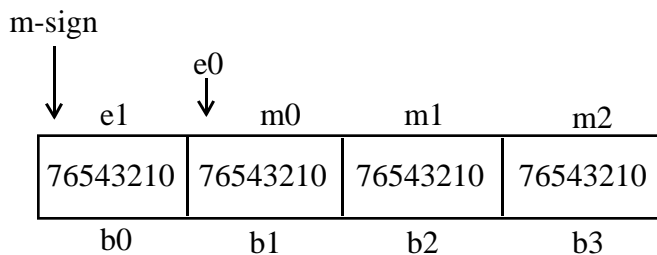
1-byte:

In i0, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**7}$

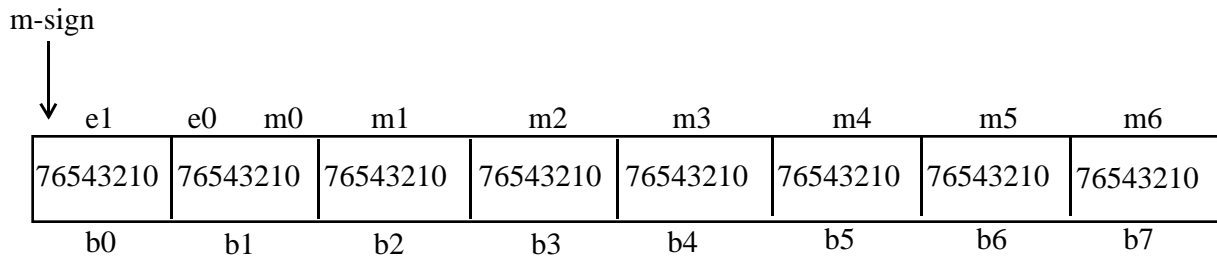
## C.5 IEEE\_REAL

Aliases: FLOAT, MAC\_REAL, REAL, SUN\_REAL

IEEE 4-byte real numbers:

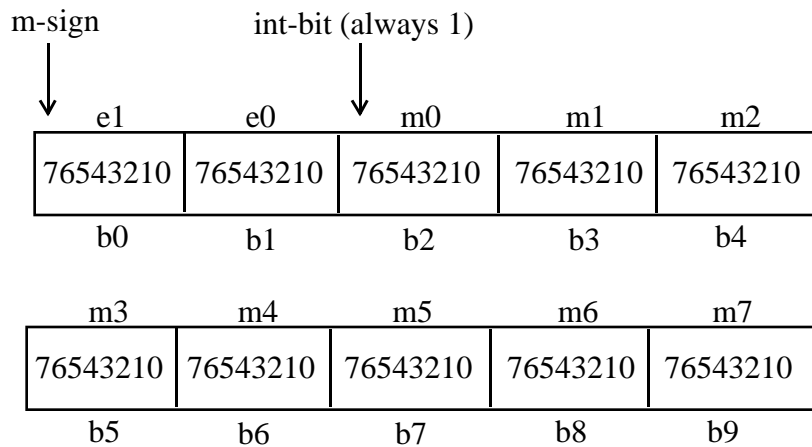


IEEE 8-byte (double precision) real numbers:



\* Bit 7 in e1 is used for the mantissa sign bit.

IEEE 10-byte (temporary) real numbers:



\* Bit 7 in e1 is used for the mantissa sign bit.

Where:

- b0 - b9 = Arrangement of bytes as they appear when read from a file (e.g., read b0 first, then b1, b2, b3, etc.).
- m-sign = Mantissa sign bit
- int-bit = In 10 byte reals only, the implicit "1" is actually specified by this bit.
- e0 - e1 = Arrangement of the portions of the bytes that make up the exponent, from lowest order to highest order. The bits within each byte are interpreted from right to left, (e.g., lowest value = rightmost bit in the exponent part of the byte, highest value = leftmost bit in the exponent part of the byte) in the following way:

4-bytes (single precision):

In e0, bit 7 represents  $2^{*0}$

In e1, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{*1}$  through  $2^{*7}$

Exponent bias = 127

8-bytes (double precision):

In e0, bits 4-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**3}$

In e1, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**4}$  through  $2^{**10}$

Exponent bias = 1023

10-bytes (temporary):

In e0, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**7}$

In e1, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**8}$  through  $2^{**14}$

Exponent bias = 16383

m0 - m7 = Arrangement of the portions of the bytes that make up the mantissa, from highest order fractions to the lowest order fractions. The order of the bits within each byte progresses from left to right, with each bit representing a fractional power of two, in the following way:

4 -bytes (single precision):

In m0, bits 6-0 represent  $1/2^{**1}$  through  $1/2^{**7}$

In m1, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**8}$  through  $1/2^{**15}$

In m2, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**16}$  through  $1/2^{**23}$

8-bytes (double precision):

In m0, bits 3-0 represent  $1/2^{**1}$  through  $1/2^{**4}$

In m1, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**5}$  through  $1/2^{**12}$

In m2, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**13}$  through  $1/2^{**20}$

In m3, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**21}$  through  $1/2^{**28}$

In m4, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**29}$  through  $1/2^{**36}$

In m5, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**37}$  through  $1/2^{**44}$

In m6, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**45}$  through  $1/2^{**52}$

10-bytes (temporary):

In m0, bits 6-0 represent  $1/2^{**1}$  through  $1/2^{**7}$

In m1, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**8}$  through  $1/2^{**15}$

In m2, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**16}$  through  $1/2^{**23}$

In m3, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**24}$  through  $1/2^{**31}$

In m4, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**32}$  through  $1/2^{**39}$

In m5, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**40}$  through  $1/2^{**47}$

In m6, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**48}$  through  $1/2^{**55}$

In m7, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**56}$  through  $1/2^{**63}$

These representations all follow the format:

1. (mantissa) x  $2^{**}$  (exponent - bias)

with the "1." part implicit (except for the 10-byte temp real, in which the "1." part is actually stored in the third byte (b2)),



In all cases, the exponent is stored as an unsigned, biased integer (e.g., exponent-as-stored - bias = true exponent value).

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## C.6 IEEE\_COMPLEX

Aliases: COMPLEX, MAC\_COMPLEX, SUN\_COMPLEX

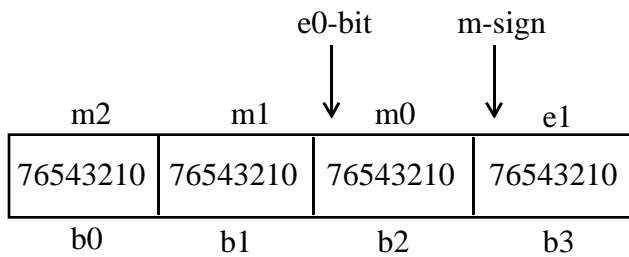
Two contiguous IEEE\_REALs in memory, representing the real and imaginary parts.

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## C.7 PC\_REAL

Aliases: None

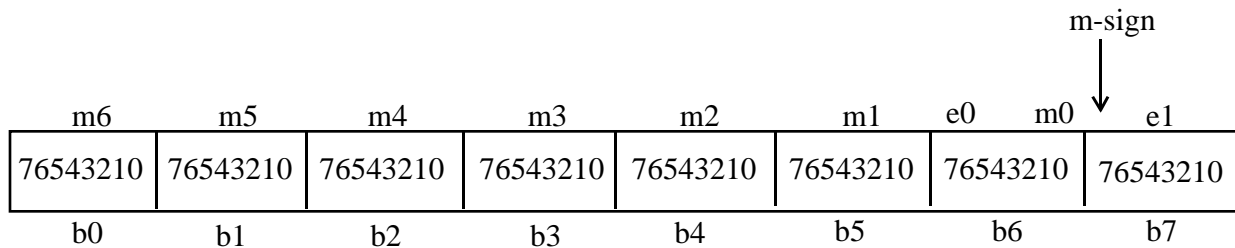
PC 4-byte real numbers:



\* Bit 7 in e1 is used for the mantissa sign bit.

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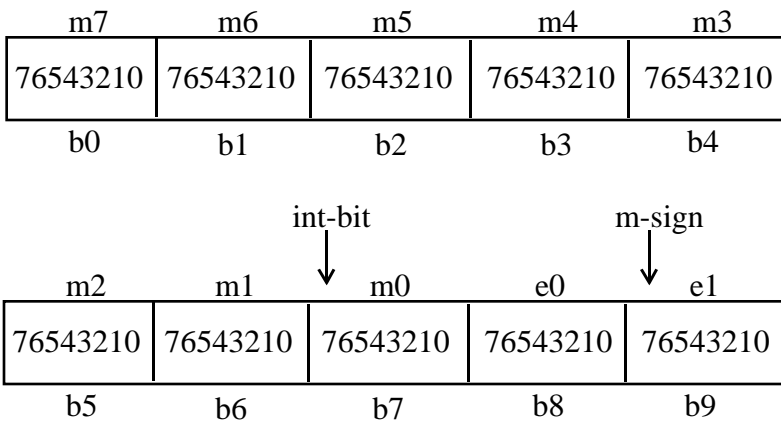
PC 8-byte (double precision) real numbers:



\* Bit 7 in e1 is used for the mantissa sign bit.

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PC 10-byte (temporary) real numbers:



Where:

b0 - b9 = Arrangement of bytes as they appear when read from a file (e.g., read b0 first, then b1, b2, b3, etc.).

m-sign = Mantissa sign bit

int-bit = In 10 byte reals only, the implicit "1" is actually specified by this bit.

e0 - e1 = Arrangement of the portions of the bytes that make up the exponent, from lowest order to highest order. The bits within each byte are interpreted from right to left, (e.g., lowest value = rightmost bit in the exponent part of the byte, highest value = leftmost bit in the exponent part of the byte) in the following way:

4-bytes (single precision) :

In e0, bit 7 represents  $2^{**0}$

In e1, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**1}$  through  $2^{**7}$

Exponent bias = 127

8-bytes (double precision) :

In e0, bits 4-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**3}$

In e1, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**4}$  through  $2^{**10}$

Exponent bias = 1023

10-bytes (temporary):

In e0, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**7}$

In e1, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**4}$  through  $2^{**10}$

Exponent bias = 16383

m0 - m7 = Arrangement of the portions of the bytes that make up the mantissa, from highest order fractions to lowest order fractions. The order of the bits within each byte progresses from left to right, with each bit representing a fractional power of two, in the following way:

4-bytes (single precision) :

In m0, bits 6-0 represent  $1/2^{**1}$  through  $1/2^{**7}$

In m1, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**8}$  through  $1/2^{**15}$

In m2, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**16}$  through  $1/2^{**23}$

8-bytes (double precision) :

In m0, bits 3-0 represent  $1/2^{**1}$  through  $1/2^{**4}$

In m1, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**5}$  through  $1/2^{**12}$

In m2, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**13}$  through  $1/2^{**20}$

In m3, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**21}$  through  $1/2^{**28}$

In m4, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**29}$  through  $1/2^{**36}$

In m5, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**37}$  through  $1/2^{**44}$

In m6, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**45}$  through  $1/2^{**52}$

10-bytes (temporary) :

In m0, bits 6-0 represent  $1/2^{**1}$  through  $1/2^{**7}$

In m1, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**8}$  through  $1/2^{**15}$

In m2, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**16}$  through  $1/2^{**23}$

In m3, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**24}$  through  $1/2^{**31}$

In m4, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**32}$  through  $1/2^{**39}$

In m5, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**40}$  through  $1/2^{**47}$

In m6, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**48}$  through  $1/2^{**55}$

In m7, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**56}$  through  $1/2^{**63}$

These representations all follow the format:

1. (mantissa) x  $2^{**(\text{exponent} - \text{bias})}$

with the "1." part implicit (except for the 10-byte temp real, in which the "1." part is actually stored in the third byte (b2)),

In all cases, the exponent is stored as an unsigned, biased integer (e.g., exponent-as-stored - bias=true exponent value).

## C.8 PC\_COMPLEX

Aliases: None

Two contiguous PC-REALs in memory, representing the real and imaginary parts.

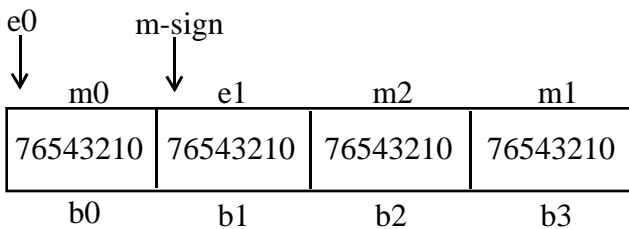
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## C.9 VAX\_REAL, VAXG\_REAL

Aliases: VAX\_DOUBLE (for VAX\_REAL only, none for VAXG\_REAL)

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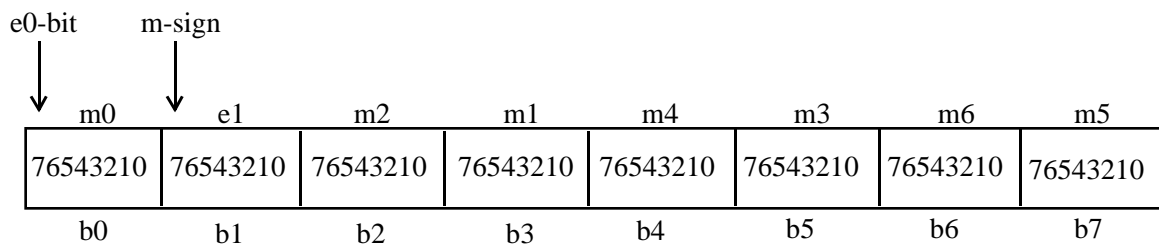
VAX F-type 4-byte real numbers:



\* Bit 7 in e1 is used for the mantissa sign bit.

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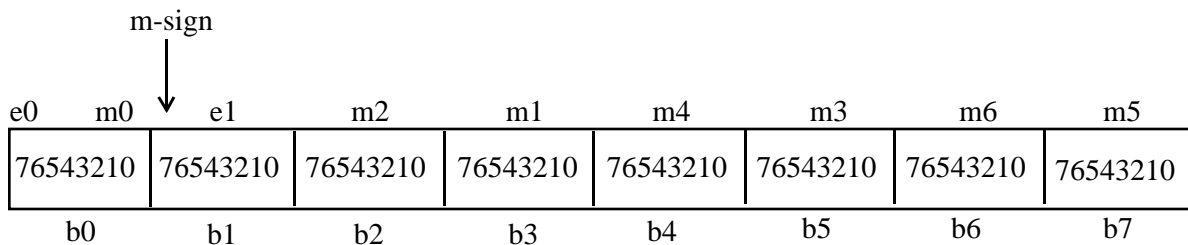
VAX D-type 8-byte real numbers:



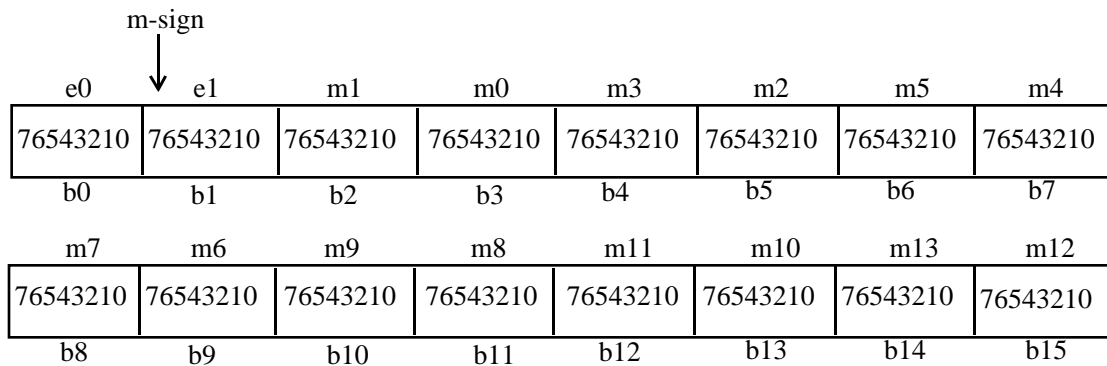
\* Bit 7 in e1 is used for the mantissa sign bit.

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VAX G-type 8-byte real numbers:



VAX H-type 16-byte real numbers:




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Where:

b0 - b15 = Arrangement of bytes as they appear when read from a file (e.g., read b0 first, then b1, b2, b3, etc.).

m-sign = Mantissa sign bit

e0 - e1 = Arrangement of the portions of the bytes that make up the exponent, from lowest order to highest order. The bits within each byte are interpreted from right to left, (e.g., lowest value= rightmost bit in the exponent part of the byte, highest value = leftmost bit in the exponent part of the byte) in the following way:

4-bytes (F-type, single precision) :

In e0, bit 7 represents  $2^{**0}$

In e1, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**1}$  through  $2^{**7}$

Exponent bias = 129

8-bytes (D-type, double precision) :

In e0, bit 7 represents  $2^{**0}$

In e1, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**1}$  through  $2^{**7}$

Exponent bias = 129

8-bytes (G-type, double precision) :

In e0, bits 4-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**3}$

In e1, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**4}$  through  $2^{**10}$

Exponent bias = 1025

16-bytes (H-type) :

In e0, bits 0-7 represent  $2^{**0}$  through  $2^{**7}$

In e1, bits 0-6 represent  $2^{**8}$  through  $2^{**14}$

Exponent bias = 16385

m0 -m13 = Arrangement of the portions of the bytes that make up the mantissa, from highest order fractions to lowest order fractions. The order of the bits within each byte progresses from left to right, with each bit representing a fractional power of two, in the following way:

4-bytes (F-type, single precision) :

In m0, bits 6-0 represent  $1/2^{**1}$  through  $1/2^{**7}$

In m1, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**8}$  through  $1/2^{**15}$

In m2, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**16}$  through  $1/2^{**23}$

8-bytes (D-type, double precision) :

In m0, bits 6-0 represent  $1/2^{**1}$  through  $1/2^{**7}$

In m1, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**8}$  through  $1/2^{**15}$

In m2, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**16}$  through  $1/2^{**23}$

In m3, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**24}$  through  $1/2^{**31}$

In m4, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**32}$  through  $1/2^{**39}$

In m5, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**40}$  through  $1/2^{**47}$

In m6, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**48}$  through  $1/2^{**55}$

8-bytes (G-type, double precision) :

In m0, bits 3-0 represent  $1/2^{**1}$  through  $1/2^{**4}$

In m1, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**5}$  through  $1/2^{**12}$

In m2, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**13}$  through  $1/2^{**20}$

In m3, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**21}$  through  $1/2^{**28}$

In m4, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**29}$  through  $1/2^{**36}$

In m5, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**37}$  through  $1/2^{**44}$

In m6, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**45}$  through  $1/2^{**52}$

16-bytes (H-type) :

In m0, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**1}$  through  $1/2^{**8}$

In m1, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**9}$  through  $1/2^{**16}$

In m2, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**17}$  through  $1/2^{**24}$

In m3, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**25}$  through  $1/2^{**32}$

In m4, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**33}$  through  $1/2^{**40}$

In m5, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**41}$  through  $1/2^{**48}$

In m6, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**49}$  through  $1/2^{**56}$

In m7, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**57}$  through  $1/2^{**64}$

In m8, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**65}$  through  $1/2^{**72}$

In m9, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{**73}$  through  $1/2^{**80}$

In m10, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{81}$  through  $1/2^{88}$   
 In m11, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{89}$  through  $1/2^{96}$   
 In m12, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{97}$  through  $1/2^{104}$   
 In m13, bits 7-0 represent  $1/2^{105}$  through  $1/2^{112}$

These representations all follow the format:

1. (mantissa)  $\times 2^{(\text{exponent} - \text{bias})}$

with the "1." part implicit

In all cases, the exponent is stored as an unsigned, biased integer (e.g., exponent-as-stored - bias = true exponent value).

## C.10 VAX\_COMPLEX, VAXG\_COMPLEX

Aliases: None

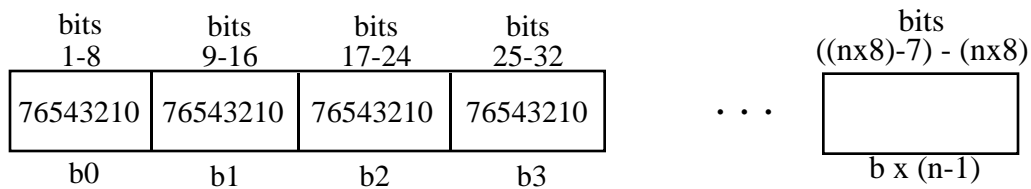
Two contiguous VAX\_REALs or VAXG\_REALs in memory, representing the real and imaginary parts.

## C.11 MSB\_BIT\_STRING

Aliases: BIT\_STRING

MSB n-byte bit strings:

As read from a file:

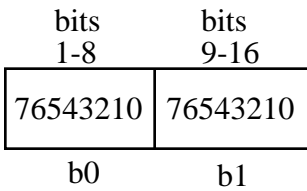


No byte swapping is needed.

Note: for n-byte bitstrings, continue pattern above.

MSB 2-byte bit strings:

As read from file:

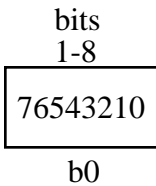


No byte swapping is needed.

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MSB 1-byte bit strings:

As read from file:



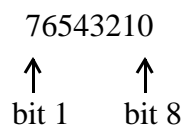
No byte swapping is needed.

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Where:

b0 - b3 = Arrangement of bytes as they appear when read from a file (e.g., read b0 first, then b1, b2, and b3).

The bits within a byte are numbered from left to right:



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Aliases: VAX\_BIT\_STRING

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LSB 4-byte bit strings:



As read from a file:

bits 25-32	bits 17-24	bits 9-16	bits 1-8
76543210	76543210	76543210	76543210
b0	b1	b2	b3

After bytes are swapped:

bits 1-8	bits 9-16	bits 17-24	bits 25-32
76543210	76543210	76543210	76543210
b3	b2	b1	b0

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LSB 2-byte bit strings:

As read from a file:

bits 9-16	bits 1-8
76543210	76543210
b0	b1

After bytes are swapped:

bits 1-8	bits 9-16
76543210	76543210
b1	b0

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LSB 1-byte bit strings:

As read from file:

bits 1-8
76543210
b0

No byte swapping is needed.

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Where:

b0 - b3 = Arrangement of bytes as they appear when read from a file (e.g., read b0 first, then b1, b2, and b3).

The bits within a byte are numbered from left to right:

76543210  
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bit 1   bit 8

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